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Applicant: Ashkenazi et al. Docket No.: 39780-2730P1C2
Serial No.: 09/990,711 Group Art Unit: 1646
Filing Date: November 14, 2001 Examiner: Kemmerer, Elizabeth
For: **SECRETED AND TRANSMEMBRANE POLYPEPTIDES AND
NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING THE SAME**

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

MS: NO-FEE AMENDMENT
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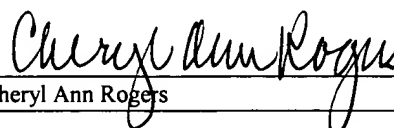
Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 30, 2003 in connection with the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments, and consider the following arguments. This response is timely filed within the shortened statutory period set for the response.

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